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The Under Secretary of Defense Comptroller and the Under Secretary of Defense Personnel and Readiness have co-signed a new policy that directs all military departments and all defense civilian employees to support the policy to eliminate paper copies of LES and W-2 tax statements.

Under the new policy, military members and civilian non-bargaining employees who log on to the myPay website after Sept. 1 are consenting to receive electronic copies of their documents. Bargaining unit civilians will be brought onto this system as soon as local negotiations are completed. MyPay is currently available to all Department of Defense military members, DoD

civilian employees, and military retirees and annuitants.

Although the policy applies to DoD military members and DoD civilians, the benefits of using myPay to eliminate identity theft associated with postal delivery of these statements also applies to retirees and annuitants for their 1099 tax statements. For many years, myPay has provided military members and civilian employees with a secure method to view, print, and save their LES, W-2 or 1099s electronically. Receipt of electronic documents through myPay eliminates risk associated with hand-delivered mail. By using myPay to view and print LES and W2 statements, the names, addresses, and social security numbers of military members, civilian

employees, retirees, and annuitants are protected. The individual controls when the document is viewed and printed. The individuals' sensitive data is under their control at all times. This is particularly important for W2s and 1099s, where the social security number cannot be masked due to IRS regulations.

In addition to obtaining electronic copies of LES and tax statements, customers can make adjustments to federal and state tax withholdings and update bank account and electronic transfers by accessing myPay. Military members, civilian employees, retirees and annuitants can obtain access to myPay by requesting a PIN online at <https://mypay.dfas.mil> or by calling 1-800-390-2348.

United States Air Force celebrates 58th birthday

BY ROB MARTINEZ

SCOUT STAFF

Sunday marked the beginning of the U.S. Air Force's 58th year; Monday, the Joint Interoperability Test Command and the 314th Training Squadron celebrated with a presentation in Fitch Auditorium and a party at the 314th's headquarters.

Colors were posted by the 314th Honor Guard; Diane Glaze sang the National Anthem, and JITC coordinated the celebration and hosted the guest speaker, Dr. Roy McCaldin, an Army Air Corps B-17 pilot during World War II.

"It was a good opportunity to do this together with JITC, pull the Air Force together. Sometimes we forget who we are here with all the Army folks," 1st Sgt. Jeff Glaze said. There are about 200 Air Force personnel and even more Air Force retirees working on post, according to Glaze.

The guest speaker, McCaldin, entertained the audience with a story about his B-17 being hit during a bombing raid on Berlin, flying into and parachuting out in Russia, and his

group's seven week trek back to France.

McCaldin enjoyed talking to the airmen; he said it was good for the young people to meet the old people. "I started out [in the Army] leading mules, the Mule Pack. You see, every section had one 75mm Howitzer. Four mules carried the ammo, and four mules to carry the hay. And we had to carry our own ... support. Can you see why I got in the Air Corps?"

McCaldin enlisted in December, 1942, and retired, as a Captain (O-6) in the U.S. Public Health Service, in 1966. He has been married to his wife, Dede, for 59 years. They live in Tucson.

In 1992, with help from Maj. Gen. Sandy Vandenburg and Senator John McCain, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross that he had earned in 1945.

"Retired for good," he returned to flying and building planes, and has set three Arizona records in soaring. He built a DH4; his is the only replica that still flies.

"The last time I flew," he said, "was yesterday morning." McCaldin is 75 years old.



Photo by Rob Martinez

Dr. Roy McCaldin tells the story of his seven week sojourn in Russia

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NETCOM/9th ASC says good-bye to a special friend

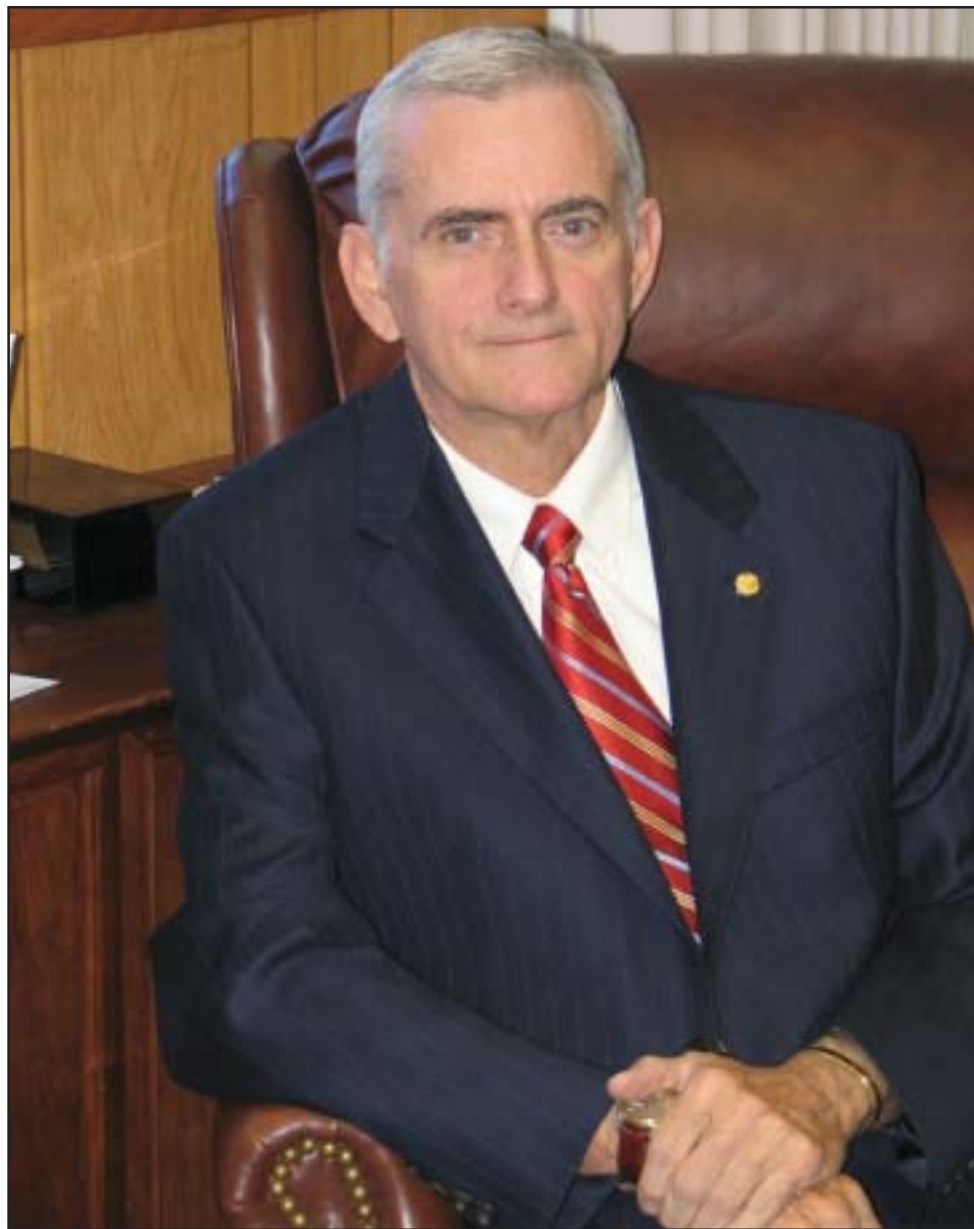


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Dr. Michael Gentry.

BY GORDON VAN VLEET

NETCOM/9TH ASC PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER

Looking back on his career, this distinguished looking gentleman, with slightly graying hair, leaned forward in his chair and began to speak. As he starting talking about his past experiences, a youthful look took over and his eyes sparkled with excitement as he relived the many accomplishments he has had during his 33 years of service to the Army. As the words flowed, it was evident the man in the dark suit and red tie really loved his job and was glad to talk about what he did during his years of service as an engineer, technical director, and the senior technical director for the U. S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Army Signal Command.

Dr. Michael Gentry, Senior Technical Director/Chief Engineer and Director, Task Force NetOps,

NETCOM/9th ASC, came to Fort Huachuca almost 33 years ago and has worked at this Army post ever since. Today, his Army career comes to an end when his commanding general, Maj. Gen. James Hylton, bids him farewell, along with the rest of his co-workers, family and friends, during a retirement ceremony at 9 a.m., Brown Parade Field.

Working for the Central Intelligence Agency in Washington D.C., Gentry wanted to move back close to Tucson, where he received his doctorate in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Arizona in 1971. By chance, a friend told him about an opening at Fort Huachuca and Gentry applied for the job. Figuring his chances were slim to none, he forgot about the application, until one day, he received a call with a job offer as an electronic engineer with the Telecommunication Automation Directorate of Communications-Electronic Engineering

Installation Agency, and a few days after the start of the New Year, 1973, Gentry began his long career with the Army as a government civilian.

Gentry said he learned a lot while working for the Army during his early years here, but added that his knowledge of the big picture and how the Army operates came after he was sent to the Army War College in 1982.

After his return to Fort Huachuca from the Army War College, Gentry went to work for the Advanced Systems Concept Office, an element of the Information System Command (a predecessor to NETCOM/9th ASC). The ASCO was a small outfit whose main function was to research technology in relation to the command's mission and its future. Tasked with researching new and advancing technology, Gentry wrote about a half dozen papers for the ASCO.

Based on his research and writings, Gentry was selected to move up within the organization. After a short time in the DCS for PLANS, he became the associate Technical Director of ISC. Around that time, the Army's Information Systems Engineering Command moved from its location at Fort Belvoir, Va. to Fort Huachuca, but a majority of the staff stayed behind. It was this move that opened the door for Gentry's selection as the Technical Director for ISEC, April 23, 1989, and at the same time, earned him selection to Senior Executive Service.

Because ISEC was under the control of the Information Systems Command when the Senior Technical Director position opened up in ISC, Gentry was reassigned into that position in 1995. But, the one catch to that position was that Gentry had to continue to work for ISEC for the next eight months as the Acting Director because the ISEC commander retired with no notice, leaving the position vacant. This was the first of three times in the last 10 years Dr. Gentry served the Army by functioning in a dual-hat position.

"The job was not as difficult as it looked from the outside," said Gentry. "Running the engineering arm of ISC helped because, whenever a question came up that had to be answered by the ISC Senior Technical Director, I already knew the answer to the question."

When NETCOM/9th ASC was created under the direction of Maj. Gen. Hylton, Gentry again found himself in a dual-hat position, because he was given the reigns of the Enterprise Systems Technology Agency and oversaw its birth as an element of NETCOM. Gentry brought all the pieces together as ESTA was created.

"There were many elements I had to pull together into ESTA. For example, Spectrum Management, Information Assurance Division, and AKO were all brought into ESTA from the CIO/G6. Because many of these were geographically dispersed, it took a great deal of action in order to get the organization functioning," he said. "The most important part of creating ESTA was gaining credibility for ESTA within the Army."

When asked about his most important accomplishment, Gentry was quick to answer.

"The Army and DoD were viewing Asynchronous Transfer Mode or ATM as the future networking solution for convergence of voice, data, and video," he said. "However, after attending a debate between ATM technology versus Internet Protocol networks using Gigabit Ethernet, I realized that ATM was not the future of the networking."

That's when the uphill battle of convincing senior leaders that ATM was not the way to proceed, and if Gentry failed at that and was wrong in his evaluation that Gigabit Ethernet and IP networks was actually what the Army needed for voice, data, and video transfer, then he may have retired long ago.

"It took two years to convince everyone to use Gigabit Ethernet in lieu of ATM networking, but in the end the Army did, and the final result was we jumped ahead of everyone by at least two years in this technology," he said. "What convinced everyone were three simple facts. Gigabit Ethernet is faster, cheaper and simpler than ATM, which is very complex."

Another great accomplishment Gentry can talk about is his work as Director, Task Force NetOps (his third dual-hat assignment) with the NetOps Enterprise Architecture. But, unfortunately, he will not be able to see the end results. However, his

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Club boosts careers, sets NCO standards

BY THOM WILLIAMS

SCOUT STAFF

"You lead from the front," is a phrase uttered by Sgt. Audie Murphy, America's most decorated Soldier in World War II. Murphy passed away in 1971, but his memory is kept alive by noncommissioned officers in today's Army by their participation in the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club.

Fort Huachuca's a SAMC chapter is looking for new members. The SAMC will hold a selection board on Oct. 4 at the Murr Recreation Center.

Prior to the post level competition, Soldiers appear before a brigade level initial selection board.

"The unit that a SAMC Solider is assigned to benefits from the Soldiers membership in the club because they have proven themselves as a superior NCO," 1st Sgt. Eric Schmitz, president of the local SAMC, said. "They have a responsibility to their unit to go out of their way and mentor all Soldiers and to make sure that their unit is better off when they leave than when they got there.

"The Audie Murphy Club has a voice, and we participate with the senior NCOs' when it comes to issues that affect Soldiers.

"The Training and Doctrine Command commander and sergeant major actually sit down and talk with us as a membership to see how we think the post is going and things that we see that might be improved to better the enlisted Soldiers lives.

"The board is good for the Soldier and being a member of the club is definitely a determining factor

for senior NCO promotions and duty positions. If two master sergeants were looking at becoming a first sergeant and the sergeant major had to decide between the two, somebody inducted in the club would probably have an edge up.

"It's probably comparable to people who have been a recruiter or a drill sergeant, it's a bullet in their career that shows they are better than the average NCO."

SAMC members can be found pretty much anywhere an American Soldier is stationed. The club is most active in the continental United States and in Korea. In Europe, NCOs have a club that is very similar to the SAMC called the Sgt. Morales Club.

"If we get a Sgt. Morales Club member on post, he or she is allowed to come to our meetings and participate. Normally, they are offered honorary membership in the post [SAMC]," Schmidt added.

The SAMC was founded in 1986 at Fort Hood, Texas and was the brain child of Lt. Gen. Crosbie Saint and his Command Sgt. Maj. George Horvath. III Corps Awards Clerk Jean Crisp and Don Moore were also instrumental in getting the club up and running.

In 1994, at a sergeant major of the Army conference the SAMC became an Army-wide program and is governed by U.S. Army Forces Command Regulation 215-7 and Training and Doctrine Command Regulation 600-14.

The following is a portion of Audie Murphy's biography and can be found in FORSCOM and TRADOC regulations.

Audie Leon Murphy was a legend in his own time. After being refused enlistment during World

War II in both the Marines and Paratroopers for being too small (5'5") and underweight (110 lbs.), he enlisted in the U.S. Army a few days after his 18th birthday.

After basic training at Camp Wolters, Texas, and advanced training at Fort George G. Meade, Md. Audie was sent overseas. He was assigned to the 15th Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Infantry Division where he fought in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany.

He earned a battlefield commission for his courage and leadership ability, as well as citations and decorations, including every medal for valor that America gives. He was also awarded one Belgian and three French medals. Lt. Audie Murphy is the highest decorated Soldier in American history.

Any NCO up to the rank of sergeant first class is eligible to apply for membership to the club. Any master sergeant or sergeant major can be honorably inducted into the club.

One of Schmitz's duties as president of the SAMC is to sit on boards and look for Soldiers who are mission oriented for the Army, yet are always looking out for their Soldiers' well-being.

Schmitz recommends that if a Soldier is interested in joining the club, they should contact their first sergeant or a SAMC member on post.

The deadline to submit nomination packets is Tuesday. If you miss the upcoming board, the club has three selection boards scheduled for 2006. For more information on the SAMC, call Schmitz at 533-6397.

Combined Federal Campaign set to begin Friday

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The 2005 Combined Federal Campaign is set to kick-off Friday with a luncheon at the Thunder Mountain Activity Centre.

"This year's goal is \$400,000 and lasts through November 4th," Sgt. 1st Class James Brown, the post CFC representative, said. Last year, Fort Huachuca civilians and Soldiers contributed more than \$58,000 during the campaign.

According to Brown, CFC assists in ways that many people don't realize.

"For example, the post youth center is a beneficiary of CFC," Brown said. "There are many agencies on and off post that benefit from the contributions made to CFC. People have the means to designate which agency or agencies receive their contribution. Any contribution made through CFC must be used to as-

sist those who need it."

CFC is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the federal workplace on behalf of charitable organizations. The CFC is made up of local campaigns that raise funds in federal workplaces across the country and around the world.

There are over 1,400 national and international charities, as well as around 40,000 local charities that receive donations through the CFC. These charities range from military, veteran and patriotic organizations to human and civil rights organizations to environmental organizations to religious and cultural organizations.

A number of military-support organizations are eligible for—and to a large degree depend on—funding from the CFC. Internal Army efforts, including many Army Community Service programs, as well as external support efforts, such as the Fisher House program

and the Disabled American Veterans Charitable Service Trust, all receive funding from CFC.

To receive CFC funds, organizations must meet strict standards—they must have tax-exempt non-profit status, they must provide service, benefits or assistance to activities that promote human well-being, they must spend no more than 25 percent of their revenue on fundraising, and they must not disclose the names of CFC contributors, among other rules.

Soldiers and Department of the Army civilians can donate to the CFC by contacting their local representative.

For more information, visit the official CFC homepage at www.omp.gov/cfc or CFC Today, an organization of CFC recipients at www.cfctoday.org.

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- Make and sustain one school-based mentoring match for an at-risk youth.

Desert safety for dogs, cats

BY ROB MARTINEZ
SCOUT STAFF

Often, Soldiers live off-post, and although many areas outside Sierra Vista are developed, there are still dangers facing wandering pets.

Dr. Keith Sugaski of the Coronado Veterinary Hospital sees many pets belonging to Soldiers. He said the most common injuries he encounters are allergic reactions to venomous insects, such as ants, wasps, the black widow and the brown recluse spider.

Puppies are particularly susceptible; "They are inquisitive, and get their noses in the wrong place," Sugaski said. Because of this, they usually get bit on the face, and it may begin to swell.

The thing to do, he said, is keep an eye on the pups; just like a child, don't let them roam unattended.

Other less common injuries are

animal bites, mostly from snakes, javelinas and coyotes.

Sugaski said they get about fifteen venomous snake bites a year; these reports are only for the animals who make it in. Bites occur mostly when it starts getting warm, sometimes as early as March.

Javelina attacks usually occur during spring, when they have their young. "Their teeth are not well located and they just rip the animals really bad," he said. The attacks usually happen when a dog gets too aggressive and the javelina tries to protect its young.

Coyotes are another threat. "If they see a dog or cat smaller than they are, they're going to get them," Sugaski explained.

"Coyotes are really tough on cats," he explained. He said that he wasn't aware of this until he had read a study, done in Tucson, on coyotes eating

them. He said they consumed large numbers and are skilled at catching them.

Dogs have to be wary as well. Coyotes have been known to lure a dog into an area where a pack can ambush it. Sometimes they will send out a lone coyote, or a female, to entice the dog to chase it.

Coyotes usually won't bother a pet when a human is around, especially if the pet is being walked on a leash. But, it is beneficial to have a fenced yard if keeping a pet outside.

As for athletic owners who like to take their dogs running or hiking, there are some basic precautions to avoid injuries and dehydration.

"Most people do it intelligently," Sugaski said. "They carry enough water, run in the morning or evening when it's not as hot, and keep an eye on the dog."

The only way dogs can cool

themselves in nature, other than having water thrown on them, is to pant. If they don't have enough water in their system to lose by panting, they can't do any evaporative cooling and their temperature keeps rising until they get heat stroke. "Once a dog gets overheated, it's a vicious cycle," he said.

It is essential to have an adequate available supply of water at home as well. Young pups and old dogs are more susceptible to dehydration. Sometimes an old dog can't find shade and gets too hot and tired to reach the water bowl, or a young pup knocks his bowl over.

Another problem is roaming, a high potential for danger for any animal.

Many people think cats are feral animals, that they can run about as

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Troops walk, remember those who've gone before them

BY BRANDY RUIZ
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"Have you ever worn the same clothes for 86 days ... or gone 53 days without a bath?"

These were the words spoken by Norm Wiseman at Friday's POW/MIA walkathon. Wiseman, a former World War II prisoner of war, spoke to the units who gathered on Chaffee parade field to celebrate National POW/MIA Recognition Day and participate in the walk.

The participating units gathered on the parade field and organized in time to salute the flag for reveille. Once reveille was complete, Jim Chambers, the post deputy garrison commander, stood to begin the ceremony. Chambers introduced Chaplain (Capt.) Timothy Reynolds, who provided the invocation.

As the audience lifted their heads from the invocation, Chambers introduced Maj. Gen. Barbara Fast, the commanding general of US

Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca. As soon as Fast finished giving her troops a motivational pep-talk, Chambers introduced Wiseman.

Wiseman briefly recounted his tale of being shot down over Lintz, Austria and enduring 86 days under German control. During those long months in 1945, Wiseman and his comrades were marched 650 miles by the Germans. The Americans stayed alive by stealing food from the farm fields along their route. "One of the best meals I had during those 86 days was a porcupine," he recalled when talking to a Soldier later that morning.

After being presented with a commander's coin, Wiseman was given the opportunity to officially begin the day's walkathon. Although Wiseman and his fellow Soldiers walked 650 miles in the spring of 1945, the two-mile walkathon here was intended to remind Soldiers of the sacrifices made by those who

served before them.

"Let the walk begin," Wiseman declared. As Fast led her troops on the walk, several Soldiers approached Wiseman and thanked him

for his service, to which he responded "I didn't do anything special, really, I just did my job ... it was my faith in God and country that got me through it."



Photo by Brandy Ruiz

Lt. Col. Angela Farnell and Command Sgt. Maj. Eric Haus, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion's commander and sergeant major, lead other members of their battalion to the finish line of the POW/MIA walkathon. The walkathon was held in remembrance of National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

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Cost warrior for September announced

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Christianne Dilts, New Beginnings Child Development Center, Directorate of Morale, Welfare, and Recreation.

Dilts changed paper towel dispensing systems at the New Beginnings Child Development Center for

an annual savings of approximately \$4,000. Dilts changed from single and double fold dispensers to a center pull dispenser, and the dispensers were provided at no charge to the child care center. The new dispensers will save 40 percent in supply costs to keep sufficient paper towels in the child care center. The direct savings are realized from less waste of the pa-

per product, resulting in fewer supplies being required. Indirectly, environmental and labor savings will result from less trash being produced, and labor savings will also result from the less frequent servicing needed for the new dispensers. The \$4,000 yearly savings include only the direct savings, and will be used to purchase expendable classroom supplies.

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they please; it's not so, Sugaski explained. He said they can be walked just like a dog, with a special leash which is light, just for cats.

The best thing for cats is to keep them inside. "Cats can walk on freshly washed cars, void (relieve themselves)

in gardens; the next thing you know, people are shooting at them, or poisoning them," he said.

Dogs are probably more prone to poisoning than cats, because they venture onto ranches, and places they are not supposed to be. It's not a case

where a malicious individual wants to kill the dogs, just a rancher concerned for his livestock, and stray dogs aren't the only 'vermin' he's after.

They use strychnine, rat poison, and mixtures of things they can buy for rodents. Sugaski said that by the

time the dog returns home, it's often too late to do anything for them.

These dangers can be avoided by keeping pets under control, allowing them a long enjoyable life in the inspiring and adventurous desert southwest.

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Marriage retreat offers relationship strengthening

BY MAJ. MATTHEW GARNER
SCOUT STAFF

How often can you spend time at a nice resort with your family, learn how to strengthen your marriage and save hundreds of dollars at the same time? About four times a year it turns out, if you take advantage of the marriage retreats the Fort Huachuca chaplains are setting up.

The chaplaincy put these retreats together to strengthen the relationships of Soldiers and their spouses during what can be very stressful times.

"We are putting these together to be proactive," Chaplain (Col.) Douglas Kinder, Fort Huachuca installation staff chaplain, said. The purpose of the program is to "make a good marriage better," he said.

Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Grego, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion, and his wife, Kriste, attended the retreat in Phoenix over Labor Day weekend to spend some time together. "I heard about it and immediately signed up; anyone that did not come this weekend made a mistake," he said.

Kriste's main reason for going was to spend time away with her husband, without their kids. She said it was "absolutely worth it."

Of the four marriage retreats this year, two have already been completed and two are still to come. The first retreat happened in July in Rio Rico, with the second over Labor Day weekend in Phoenix. The third retreat, also in Phoenix, is set for this weekend. And the last retreat this year will be in San Diego, Calif., over Veterans Day weekend, Nov. 11-14.

This weekend's retreat to Phoe-

nix is full and the Veteran's Day San Diego retreat has 26 out of 30 rooms open.

There is a lot of investigation and negotiation that goes in to finding a resort. The main considerations for choosing a resort are the family amenities and the price. Kinder also looks for an "exotic location that grabs attention," he said.

The resorts work with the chaplains on the rate and then the chaplains funds make it even more reasonable for those attending. The price for the Labor Day retreat was \$130 for three nights, the regular rate for the resort was \$159 per night during that same time.

The chaplains set up the weekends with child care at the resorts so the parents can focus on learning and improving their marriages. In Phoenix, there were many things for the kids to do during the marriage seminars, and the afternoons were free for the families to swim in any of the eight swimming pools or explore Phoenix.

The retreat in San Diego in November offers some additional enticements. Sea World offers free admission to servicemembers and up to three dependents throughout this year and breakfast will be provided each day.

Kinder says that by the end of this year, 110 families will have gone to the retreats. His plan is to continue having marriage retreats as long as he can support them.

"Our overall purpose is to serve Soldiers in their marriage," Kinder said.

For more information, call the Installation Chaplains office at 533-4748.



Above: Lt. Col. Mark Baxter and his wife, Carol, sit outside during a discussion "break."

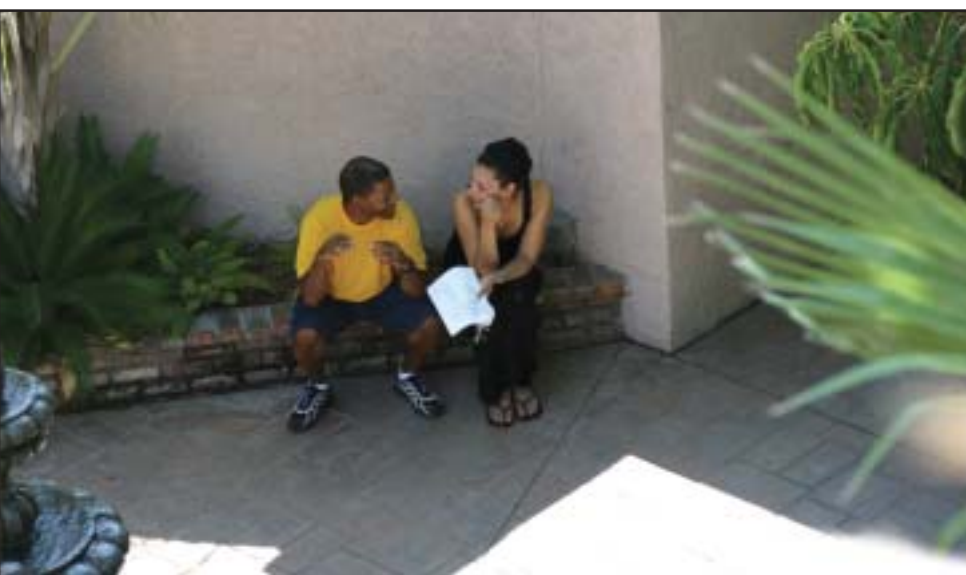
Below: Maj. Tom Sirois and his wife, Jeannette, share a laugh at the retreat.



Photos by Maj. Matthew Garner

Above: Lt. Col. Noel Cardenas and his wife, Cristi, discuss their marriage at the retreat.

Left: Sgt. 1st Class Damon Wise and his wife, Lily, discuss marriage principles during the retreat.



Wiseman tells his tale on day of remembrance

BY BRANDY RUIZ
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

“Most people have never lost their freedom . . . most people take it for granted.”

Norm Wiseman understands what it is like to have his freedom taken away. He was a POW during the end of World War II. 86 days of his life were spent at the hands of the German Army.

On February 6, 1945, he was sent to Austria to bomb a tank factory. Instead, Staff Sgt. Wiseman and other members of the crew were shot down and taken captive.

“I had heard once that the Germans would grant you some leniency the higher the rank you were,” he told. “So when they got to me and asked for my name, I said ‘Master Sgt. Norm Wiseman.’ I believe I must have been the only Master Sgt. who went through there as a gunner.”

The war was winding down during the time Wiseman was held, but there were still thousands of Soldiers the Germans were holding captive. It was easier, however, to keep them in groups of approximately 250 people. This allowed for the prisoners to be moved quicker and to be housed easier.

“I would say I weighed around 140 to 150 pounds before I was captured,” he said. “By the time I got to Lucky

Strike, I weighed only 92 pounds.” Food was scarce, he recanted, and most of it came from farms and fields along the route. “I think the best meal I had during those 86 days was porcupine. We had built a fire, but then we noticed something scuffling around underneath it. So we dug around a little and found a little porcupine. We cut him up and cooked him on the fire. It was some of the only meat we’d had in weeks,” Wiseman told.

Nights were spent sleeping in old German barns. Wiseman said there were always a few guards who would go forward and secure sleeping arrangements for the evening. Some of the barns, though, were not large enough to house 250 people lying down, so there were often soldiers who had to stand so that others could lie down.

Later that spring, the soldiers woke up to find there were no guards keeping watch over them. “When we woke up and realized there were no guards, we took off,” he said. The American forces had pushed far enough ahead that the Germans got spooked and fled. Somehow, he and his buddy got hold of two bicycles and began pedaling as fast as they could to get away. Between those bicycles and an old wood-burning bus, those two men, along with some others

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Photo by Brandy Ruiz

Norm Wiseman, a World War II prisoner of war, was guest speaker at Friday's walkathon. As the sun rose, the units listened to Wiseman recount his POW experiences. After Wiseman's speech, the troops walked two miles in remembrance of National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

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Range Closures

Today – AA, AC, AD, AF, AG, AK, AL, AM, AN, AP, AU, T1. T1A. T2. T3

Friday – AA, AC, AD, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AP, AU, T1, T1A, T2, T3

Saturday – AA, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AM, AP, AQ, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2, T3

Sunday – AA, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AP, AU

Monday – AA, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AP, AR, AU

Tuesday – AB, AC, AD, AG, AK, AL, AR, AW, T1, T1A, T2

Wednesday – AA, AF, AG, AH, AK, AL, AM, AP, AU

For more information on range closures, contact Range Control at 533-7095. Closures are subject to change.

CFC kick off luncheon

Combined Federal Campaign is having their kick-off luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday at the Thunder Mountain Activity Centre. Tickets are \$9.75 and must be purchased in advance. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class James Brown at 533-4030 or 559-1350.

Office closure

The ID Card Section will be closed from noon – 4:15 p.m. on Sept. 28 for DOD staff training. For more information, call Pamela Singer at 533-3267.

Store hours

Military Clothing Sales hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 30.

Jewish High Holy Days

Observance of the Jewish High Holy Days on Fort Huachuca will be as follows:

Rosh Hashanah, the beginning of the Jewish new year period.

Oct. 3: 7 p.m.

Oct. 4: 10 a.m.

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atone-ment.

Oct. 12: 7 p.m. (Kol Nidre)

Oct. 13: 10 a.m. (Shakharit), 3 p.m. (Minha), 4 p.m. (Yizkor, memorial), 5 p.m. (N’Eilah), 6 p.m. (break the fast)

All observances will be in the Main Post Chapel auditorium located on the corner of Hatfield Street and Smith Avenue.

For additional information, call Chaplain McFarland at 533-4911 or 533-4748.

Become an Army Officer

This year the Army has expanded the selection criteria for Officer Candidate School, which is covered by AR 350-31. In addition to changing the maximum age for applicants to 42 (up from 30), the Army has delegated the selection authority down to the commanding general level for FY 06 classes.

USAIC&FH will be holding a special OCS board on Oct. 12-14 at Murr Recreation Center. If you are interested in applying for this special program, you need to see your commander or S-1 for more information or call Rosalie Monge at 533-1503. Packets must be turned in no later than Oct. 5 in order to be considered and boarded for this program. (All Signal Soldiers should contact the NETCOM G-1 for details).

The next regular quarterly OCS Board will be held on Dec. 14 at Murr Recreation center. Contact Monge for more details.

Craft bazaar

The Fort Huachuca Community Spouses’ Club is having its annual High Desert Holiday Craft Bazaar from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Oct.15th at Buena High School.

For information regarding crafter/vendor tables please call one of the bazaar chairpersons, either Lynette Wilson at 378-5180 or Julia Prather at 459-1821. They can let you know what is already being sold and what the requirements are. The cost to reserve a table is \$45 before \$55. Spaces are still available for vendors.

In addition, donations of baked goods will be graciously accepted for the FHCSC Bake Sale at the Craft Bazaar. For more information, call WendyMcDaniels at 459-0511 or e-mail at wendysh78@yahoo.com.

Fall Fuel wood applications

The U.S. Army Garrison Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Fort Huachuca now has green fuelwood applications available for this year’s cutting season. A limited number of up to one half-cord (or one load no larger than 2x4x8 feet) permits for green mesquite will be sold for \$25.00 each on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be a limit of one permit per household. Permits will be sold to active duty or retired military, and Fort Huachuca civil service and Non-appropriated fund employees.

The cutting season will begin on Sept. 17 and end on Oct. 31. The green fuelwood area is located in designated areas of the south range on Fort Huachuca. A map of the fuelwood area will be attached to the permit.

To apply for a permit, go to www.huachucaarmymilfirewoodfuelwood.html, print and complete the application form and mail to IMSW-HUA-PWB, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, 3040 Butler Road, Fort Huachuca, Arizona 85613-7010. A self-addressed, stamped envelope and a check or money order made out to the U.S. Treasury must be included with the application. Completed applications must be mailed to the office. Successful applicant permits will be mailed out and will not be available at the office for pick-up.

Chaplain’s Corner

Protestant Sunday Services

8 a.m.	Episcopal	Main Post
9:20 a.m.	Gospel	Kino Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Protestant	Prosser Village
11 a.m.	Cross Roads	Cochise Theater
11 a.m.	Collective	Main Post
3:30 p.m.	ALPHA	Prosser Village

Roman Catholic Worship

Mon.-Fri.	11:30 a.m.	Main Post
Saturday	4 p.m.	Main Post
Confession		
Saturday	5 p.m.	Main Post
Mass		
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Main Post
Mass		
Sunday	11:30 a.m.	Kino Chapel
Mass		

Jewish Worship

Friday	7 p.m.	Main Post
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Catholic

<u>Main Post Chapel</u>		
CCD	Sunday	10:45 a.m.
Adult	Sunday	10:45 a.m.
Apologetics		
Adoration of the	Friday	3 - 6 p.m.
Sacrament Blessed		
Korean OCIA	Friday	7 p.m.
MCCW	1st Friday	7 p.m.

Protestant

<u>Main Post Chapel</u>		
PWOC	Tuesday	9 a.m.
Sunday School	Sunday	9:30 a.m.
<u>Kino Chapel</u>		
Women’s Ministry	1st, 3rd Friday	6 p.m.
Bible Study Fellowship		
Adult/Youth	Sunday	8 a.m.

Sunday School		
Youth Church	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th Sunday	
Men’s Choir	Tuesday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Women’s Choir	2nd Tuesday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Adult Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.
Youth Bible Study	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	Thursday	7 p.m.
Rehearsal		
Youth Ushers	Saturday	10 a.m.
Youth Choir	3rd Saturday	10:30 a.m.
Youth Emphasis	4th Saturday	
Saturdays		
Drama Team	Saturday	8:30 a.m.
Youth Min. Staff	Saturday	10 a.m.
& Parents Meeting		
Youth Choir	Saturday	10:30 a.m.
Rehearsal		

<u>Murr Community Center</u>		
Teens and	Sunday	9:20 a.m.
Pre-teens Study		

Parish Council	1st Sunday after service
Meetings	
Women’s Ministry	2nd Sunday
Meetings	
Youth Ministry	3rd Suda
Meetings	
Adult Usher	4th Sunday after service
Meetings	
Men’s Ministry	Saturday 8 a.m.
Bible Study	
Women’s Choir	5th Saturday 11 a.m.
Rehearsal	

Muslim Prayer

Friday	11:30 a.m.	Main Post
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Buddhist Weekly Teaching

Tuesday	6:30 p.m	Prosser Village
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Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Sunday	10 a.m	Main Post
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Latter Day Saints Service

Sunday	1 p.m.	Prosser Village
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sense of accomplishment is still strong as this architecture has already been chosen as the baseline for DoD’s NetOps Architecture.

Although Gentry has many work related stories and accomplishments, it is easy to see what he considers his most rewarding. “I’ve been married to my beautiful wife, Lois for 37 years. We met on a blind date, but it was love at first sight.” To prove that

point, two days after Lois graduated from high school they were married. Two more accomplishments that can’t be left out are Gentry’s son and daughter. He is very proud of his son, Chris, an engineer working for ISEC and his daughter, Dr. Cyndi Carr, a neuroscientist.

When asked what he will miss the most when his retirement becomes final, Gentry was quick to point out

what he will not miss. “I won’t miss flying to Washington (D.C.) frequently. I won’t miss the overload of e-mail I receive almost every day. And I won’t miss all the meetings I have to attend.

“What I know I will miss are the people. We have a tremendous organization with great people. I’ve met a lot of nice people in my career and will miss them all. Finally, I will

miss the sense of accomplishment you get when working for the Army.” As Gentry accepts his service award and all the other mementos presented at the retirement ceremony, there is one thing that can’t be presented personally to him, but will be there nonetheless, and that is the pride people will feel knowing they had met, worked for and known a man such as Dr. Michael Gentry.

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who were picked up along the way, made it to Lucky Strike, an American camp.

They were held there in Lucky Strike, also known as a tobacco camp, for nine days. They were fed six small meals a day to get their energy up, but some of their systems couldn’t handle the food. “One poor guy ate 50-something donuts in those few days. He died from all the grease. His system just couldn’t handle it,” he said.

As Wiseman recounts his tale, he often remembers a few things with fondness. “I remember we used to mess with the German guards. They would do a head count on the front row, but when they turned their backs, one of us would step from one row to the next just to confuse them.”

From the Air Force to the Boy Scouts, Wiseman spent most of his life working. He was married for 52 years to Mary, and they had four children. And as far as he can tell, his experience as a prisoner of war hasn’t had any adverse effects on his personal life, though he wasn’t always an active participant in POW activities. His daughter, Saralee Couchoud, admits her father did not become involved with the Cochise Chapter of the ex-POWs until about 10 years ago. “They say it takes about 50 years for a veteran to be able to talk about their experiences,” she said. “He didn’t really start talking about his (experiences) until the mid-nineties, which was right around 50 years after his experience.”

Since then, he has been a busy man. In just this past weekend alone, he participated in

two POW events on post. The first event was the walkathon Friday morning. The second event was the annual Daisy Donation Day the POWs did here to raise money for the Veterans Hospital in Tucson. All the proceeds from Saturday’s daisy sale will help to buy equipment and other supplies for that hospital. After his daisy sale Saturday, he planned to visit one of his sons in northern Arizona and fly his Cessna 150, just another one of the things he enjoys doing in his spare time.

When asked if he plans to slow down anytime soon, he just smiles and says “Gosh, no. I hope to be around for many more years ... 10 more at least.” For a man who’s traveled so many miles, that seems like an easy feat indeed.

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Good eating

Spc. Derek Milne of Headquarters and Headquarters company, 40th Signal Battalion, 11th Signal Brigade, enjoys dinner at family night, held at the Thunderbird Dining Facility on Sept. 12.



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Thunderbirds get SWAT training

BY SPC. JOHN MARTINEZ
11TH SIGNAL BRIGADE PAO

The 11th Signal Brigade sent Soldiers to Tucson for a two-day training exercise with the Tucson Special Weapons and Tactics Team and other divisions of the Tucson police department.

The training was split between the first day with senior noncommissioned officers, field grade officers and platoon leaders and the second day with junior noncommissioned officers.

Day one started with a safety brief, where the SWAT instructors (Sgt. Quinn McCarthy and Frank Rau) covered safety and the rules of engagement that the Soldiers would have during the training.

The first thing the Soldiers learned was how to move in four-to-eight man teams. The Soldiers were also shown how to perform the duck walk, a technique that the officers use to help keep balance while moving in such tight groups.

The next block of instruction was how to clear a building with a team,

breach doors and clear corners. The Soldiers also went through several mock situations that the instructors put together; in one setting, the Soldiers had to react to gun shots from a building and clear the building while in an eight-person team. Another scenario had the Soldiers breaching a door and clearing the building.



Photos by Spc. John Martinez

Above: 11th Signal Brigade Soldiers enter the building. During the training exercise, Soldiers were instructed on how to clear a building in an eight-person team.

Left: An 11th Sig. Bde. Soldier learns how to secure a building.

Right: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldiers begin to clear the building, another aspect of the training exercise.



Above: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldier Lt. Joe Kachmar breaches a door during an exercise.

Right: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldiers enter and secure the buildings as part of the SWAT training.



*Above: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldiers prepare to clear the building.
Below: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldiers wait for their chance to participate in the exercise.
Left: 11th Sig. Bde. Soldiers secure the building.*



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Service News



US Air Force photo by Airman Nathan J. Doza

Helping hands

The 724th Air Mobility Squadron, a tenant unit based out of Aviano AB, Italy, holds an old fashioned shoe shining on Sept. 15 to raise money for the people in the Gulf Coast region affected by Hurricane Katrina. The 724th's Booster Club decided they needed to step up to the plate and help out their fellow Americans in need. They did just that by raising over \$800 that will go directly to the victims.

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Ultimate sacrifice paid in support of OIF

Sgt. Alfredo B. Silva, 35, of Calexico, Calif., died in Baghdad, Iraq, on Sept. 15 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during patrol operations. Silva was assigned to the Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 184th Infantry Regiment, 40th Infantry Division, Modesto, Calif.

Lance Cpl. Shane C. Swanberg, 24, of Kirkland, Wash., died Sept. 15 from an explosion resulting from indirect fire at Forward Operating Base, Camp Ramadi, Iraq. Swanberg was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Twentynine Palms, Calif. As part of Operation Iraqi Freedom, his unit was attached to 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force.

Sgt. Kurtis D. K. Arcala, 22, of Palmer, Alaska, died on Sept. 11 in

Tikrit, Iraq, where an improvised explosive device detonated near his position during convoy escort operations. Arcala was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

Spc. Jeremy M. Campbell, 21, of Middlebury, Pa., died on Sept. 11 in Baghdad where an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during patrol operations. Campbell was assigned to the 108th Military Police Company, 503rd Military Police Battalion (Airborne), 16th Military Police Brigade (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C.

Staff Sgt. Christopher L. Everett, 23, of Huntsville, Texas, died on Sept. 7 in Al Taqqadum, Iraq, where an accident occurred in the motor pool. Everett was assigned to the Army National Guard's 2nd Battalion, 112th Armor Regiment, 56th Brigade Combat Team, Arlington, Texas.



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Catch a ride with MWR to see 'Finding Nemo' at the TCC

Disney on Ice will present "Finding Nemo" Oct. 19 - 23 at the Tucson Convention Center.

The MWR Information, Tickets and Reservations Office has tickets available now for all performances. But ITR has planned something special for those of you who would like to attend, but who can't or don't wish to drive.

A 15-passenger shuttle will leave the ITR parking lot for the TCC at 10 a.m., Oct. 22, arriving for the 11:30 a.m. show.

The following day, Oct. 23, the shuttle will leave ITR at noon, arriving for the 1:30 p.m. performance.

Cost of the shuttle is \$15 per person, round trip, either day. The shuttle service is open to everyone, but you must purchase a ticket for one of the performances mentioned above. The prices of the event tickets vary, depending on which show you attend and which seats you purchase, so check with ITR for specific information.

TCC tickets are available to purchase 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday - Friday, and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday at ITR.

For more information, call 533-2404 or drop by the ITR Office, Building 70914, Irwin Street. The office is open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Fri-

day and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday.



Bike rental/repair moved to BFH

Bicycle rental and repair are now available on Fort Huachuca, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Mon. - Fri., and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturdays, at the east end of Barnes Field House parking lot, instead of the previous location at Eifler Fitness Center.

Sun 'n Spokes of Sierra Vista provides bike rental and repairs for customer-owned bikes.

For more information or to reserve a bicycle to rent, call 236-5969 or visit snsbikes.com on the web.

10K Run set for Saturday

The Reservoir Hill 10 Kilometer Run, the final event of the Sports and Fitness Multi-Sport Summer Series, is scheduled for 7 a.m., Saturday. Entry forms are available at Barnes Field House until race time.

For more information, call Michelle Kimsey at 533-3180.

Monday Night Football at Time Out

Time Out opens at 4:30 p.m., each Monday, for NFL Monday Night "Football Frenzy." Kick-off time is 6 p.m. The facility will remain open until the end of the game each week.

Time Out has six 19 and 24-inch televisions, plus a big screen TV with surround sound, so you can see and hear all the action, from the pre-game show to the final buzzer.

Door prizes are given away each week, there's free munchies, and beverages are available on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Time Out is located on Arizona Street, across from Barnes Field House. For more information, call 533-3802 or 533-3876.

Who will be the first Military Idol?

The final local round of the Military Idol Competition will be held at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 30 at Thunder Mountain Activity Centre. The event is open to the public and there is no admission charge.

The contestants who have advanced to the final

round, and who are competing for cash prizes and the title of "National Military Idol" include: Staff Sgt. Thor Campbell, 269th Signal Co.; Pfc. Jeffery Eidson, 86th Signal Battalion; Spc. Saquawia Funderbeck, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion; Sgt. Dushaune Gaines, 556th Maintenance Co.; Spc. Jeramie Kramer, 86th Signal Battalion; and Sgt. Awanda Williams, 309th MI Battalion.

At the installation level, the following prizes will be awarded: 3rd place, \$100; 2nd place, \$250; and 1st place, \$500, plus an additional \$500 for the winner's unit.

The first place winner at Fort Huachuca will advance to the National Military Idol Competition to be held Oct. 17 - 22 at Fort Gordon, Ga.

At the national level, the following prizes will be awarded: 3rd place, \$250; 2nd place, \$500; and 1st place, \$1000. The first place winner will become the "Ambassador" of Army Entertainment for the year.

For more information, call Marvin Wooten at 533-3802, the Thunder Mountain Activity Centre, or Saul Caraballo, 266-1666.

CER Office to expand hours Oct. 1

The Child and Youth Services Central Enrollment Registration Office will implement the following new hours Oct. 1: 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday - Friday. The office will no longer be closed Thursday mornings.

The CER Office is located at Murr Community Center. For more information, call Marty Johnston at 533-8437.

2005 All Army Photography Contest

The MWR Arts Center has announced that entries are now being accepted for the 2005 All Army Photography Contest.

MWR patrons are invited to enter their favorite color or black and white prints or short films in the contest, to compete against the best photographers in the Army. Sign-up deadline is Oct. 5.

For contest rules, or an entry form, call the MWR

Arts Center at 533-2015.

Get Cardinal football packages at ITR

The MWR Information, Tickets and Reservations Office has NFL football packages for all remaining Arizona Cardinal home games, including: Oct. 9, vs. the Carolina Panthers; Oct. 23 vs. the Tennessee Titans; Nov. 6 vs. the Seattle Seahawks; Nov. 27 vs. the Jacksonville Jaguars; Dec. 11 vs. the Washington Redskins; and Dec. 24 vs. the Philadelphia Eagles.

The packages are for one to four persons per room, and include one night's accommodations at the Amerisuites in Tempe, Ariz., breakfast buffet, tickets to the game of your choice and transportation to and from the stadium. Prices start at \$112 per person.

For more information, call 533-2404 or drop by ITR Office, Building 70914. They're open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Saturday.

Sign up for cake decorating class

The MWR Arts Center will offer a new cake decorating class, from noon to 2 p.m., beginning Oct. 8 and continuing Oct. 15, 22 and 29. This hands-on class will teach how to decorate a cake for any occasion. The cost is \$50 and includes all materials.

You can register at the MWR Arts Center, Building 52008, Arizona Street. For more information, call 533-2015.

Hunters' education class offered

The Sportsman's Center and the Arizona Game and Fish Department will present a hunters' education course 6:15 - 9:30 p.m., Oct. 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, and 8 - 11:30 a.m., Oct. 22, which will be "range day." The class will be held at the Sportsman's Center, Garden Canyon Road, Fort Huachuca.

The course is open to all ages, and family participation is encouraged. It is taught by volunteer instructors certified by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Cost is \$5 per participant.

For more information or to register, call the Sportsman's Center at 533-7085.



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Movies

Four Brothers plays at 7 p.m. Saturday at Cochise Theater. For the complete listing of this week's movies, see Page B6.

Post makes conservation efforts for spotted owl

BY ESAU LOLIS
SCOUT STAFF

Since the Mexican spotted owl was listed as threatened species in 1993, post wildlife biologists use new approaches to forest service management to eliminate threats to the spotted owl.

The new plans are aimed at reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire, intrusive recreation, electrocution by power lines and grazing by cows in the nesting areas.

Eight protected activity centers have been designated on Fort Huachuca for Mexican spotted owls, totaling 4,207 acres, according to Janine Spencer, senior wildlife biologist of Engineering and Environmental Consultants,

PACs are designated to include the best possible habitat for the owl. Spencer said Fort Huachuca lands include 21,966 acres of federally-designated critical habitat.

This year, six of the eight PACs were occupied by the spotted owl. Four of the owl pairs attempted nesting, and two of the pairs produced young, yielding a reproductive

success of 33 percent.

The fort manages the designated areas to ensure the long-term survival of Mexican spotted owls by reducing wildfire potential and managing recreation to reduce disturbance.

Spencer said hikers and other spectators should limit disturbance if an owl is encountered. "Stay on designated trails, do not attempt to call the owl, limit group size and walk quietly past the owl," Spencer said.

Because new construction can alter owl population, engineers are revitalizing older structures in the nesting area rather than building new ones.

Cattle grazing may impact the owl by destroying riparian, water grooved troughs, habitats that the owl may use as escape corridors.

Wildfire is viewed as the primary threat to the spotted owl. Once a year, as budget allows, the Environmental and Natural Resources Division in coordination with other governmental and environmental agencies, identify key areas on Fort Huachuca that need to undergo mechanical thinning and/or prescribed burns to reduce veg-

etative build-up of fuel.

Power lines also pose a risk to the survival of the spotted owl because the owls use the lines to perch and are electrocuted. The spotted owl hunts by perching and diving.

Power line retrofitting, as part of the post's Avian Protection Plan to protect birds, have already eliminated the risks from some power lines.

Lori Neilsen, of EDM International, a Fort Collins, Colo. based environmental company, outlined the Fort Huachuca Avian Protection Plan Risk Assessment.

The purpose of the Avian Protection Plan is to minimize electrocution risk to birds. Neilsen said that base poles are being retrofitted to make them safe.

"You can't make a pole completely safe, but you can get 98 percent there," Neilsen said.

Post environmentalists continue to improve Mexican spotted owl conservation efforts by coordinating with other federal agencies, conducting surveys, nest monitoring and submitting annual reports to the Fish and Wildlife Services.

Fort Huachuca's Army Ten-Miler team off to D.C.

BY ESAU LOLIS
SCOUT STAFF

Every year the Military District of Washington sponsors the Army Ten-Miler, which is the premier running event of the U.S. Army.

The Fort Huachuca team will compete in the 21st annual race on Oct. 2 in Washington.

"Every major installation and active duty division has an Army 10 Miler team," Capt. Mathew Feehan, the Fort Huachuca ATM team coach, said. "It's the largest 10-mile race in the world and has been running for over 20 years."

Feehan said he was excited to take on the challenge of training and coaching the team and volunteered with only three months until the competition.

"The garrison commander's office put out the word that they would fund a team if there was interest," Feehan said. "I told my Battalion Commander Lt. Col. Brian Clark that I would be interested in

coaching. Garrison said yes and we held a qualifier on 10 July."

Feehan has been leading the team in preparation for the event since the beginning of July.

"We actually started practicing a week before the qualifier in anticipation of Garrison funding approval," Feehan said. "I sent word out to every good runner I knew on post and through the grapevine, and we ended up with about 20 runners starting out."

Feehan said the team has made a tremendous improvement since they began practicing.

"I'm constantly amazed at the dedication and seemingly limitless source of energy these soldiers put up," Feehan said. "I think we are going to do very well in D.C."

The runners will navigate a 10-mile course that begins at the Pentagon, crosses the Potomac River, goes by Tidal Basin, loops at the Capitol, passes many of the great



Courtesy photo from U.S. Army

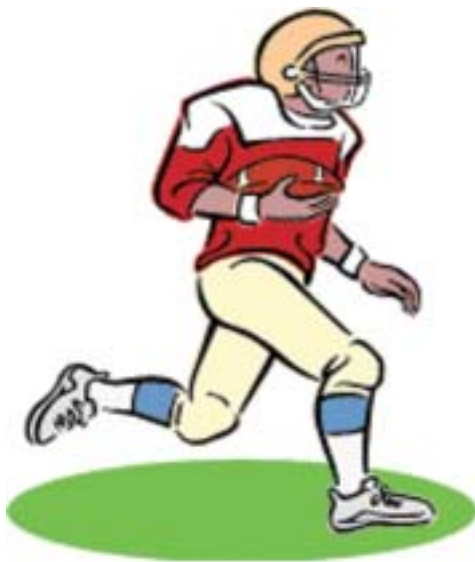
Army Ten Miler runners pace themselves. 20,000 participants have registered for this year's race.

See **TEN-MILER**, Page B7

Commander's cup foot ball standings

League 1

	WIN	LOSS	314 TS double forfeited out of the program. All 314TS games have been deleted from the standings future 314 TS have been canceled.
A-40 SIG	6	0	
E-305	5	1	
556 MAIN	4	2	
DFAC	4	2	
NCOA	3	3	
EPG	2	4	
MEDDAC	1	3	
269 SIG	1	5	
HHC USAG	0	6	



League 2

	WIN	LOSS	C-305 double forfeited; all games have been deleted from the record.
C-304 MI	4	0	
JITC	3	1	
B-309 MI	3	3	
A-304 MI	2	1	
HHC 111 MI	2	2	
D-40 SIG	2	2	
C-86 SIG	2	3	
B-305 MI	1	3	
NET COM	0	4	



Sierra Vista 50th Anniversary



Countdown: Sierra Vista turns 50 in 35 weeks

EDITORIAL COMMENT:

The City of Sierra Vista will celebrate its 50th anniversary, "More than a city—a way of life," May 26-28, 2006. In support of the city's celebration, each month until the celebration weekend, The Fort Huachuca Scout will run one reprinted article from the 1955 and 1956 issues of the "Fort Huachuca Scout," showing what fort life was like 50 years ago. Each week, we'll print one or more highlights of what happened on Fort Huachuca a half century ago.

Sierra Vista was founded in 1956 and annexed Fort Huachuca in 1971. Now, as in the past, the two entities worked together and are involved in many partnerships.

The Fort Huachuca Scout has been in publication for 54

years since 1951. Morgue copies of the "Scout" are available for viewing at the Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office, Building 21115, 3015 Carnahan Street, across the street from the gazebo at the west end of Brown Parade Field. Call 533-2622 for additional information.

Enjoy reliving Fort Huachuca's past 50 years, and reminisce as we travel back in time. - Joan Vasey

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Editorial: His Fight Has Just Begun

The Services' new Code of Conduct for prisoners of war is now making its way to the field. Each commander has made arrangements for it to be read, explained and discussed – obviously, the more of each the better. But that is only a start.

No serviceman, no matter how many hash marks, can ever be satisfied that he is completely trained. He must constantly refresh his combat skills.

We must realize that to know and understand the Code of Conduct is now one of the combat skills demanded of all of us. One reading isn't enough. As with other combat skills, we must repeatedly refresh ourselves.

The Korean War brought home to us that a fighting man's job doesn't end if he is captured. In fact, it becomes in many ways, more important and more difficult.

A prisoner of war must have faith, integrity, patience and endurance, all in full measure. But he should acquire these qualifications long before he is ever faced with the possibility of becoming a POW. Afterwards, it could be too late.

That is what the Code is trying to help us do. That is why we must be steadily conscious of its meaning and the responsibility it places on us – just as we are steadily conscious of our skills as marksmen, mechanics or seamen.

POEM:

By Sherman Levin
A Girl
(With the usual apologies)
I think that I shall never see,
A girl who quite appeals to me.
A girl who wears her lipstick thin,
And doesn't have a stupid grin.
A girl who doesn't make me wait,
A half hour on every date.
But girls get dates from fools like me,
Cause, who the hell wants to kiss a tree.

Arizona Tourist

Take a tour through Arizona's mines

BY MICHAEL COLLINS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

For centuries, nothing has quickened the pulse faster than the cry of GOLD! The word alone conjures images of instant wealth and prestige. Discoveries of this precious yellow metal and other valuable minerals spurred immense migrations through the New World, fueled by lust for riches that permanently transformed the physical and cultural character of the landscape.

The exploration and settlement of Arizona was no different. When the first pioneers began the journey to the West Coast, Arizona was considered a wasteland to quickly leave behind. The idea of settling in a waterless landscape with hostile Apaches struck a sense of dread and terror into the hearts of many a timid soul. Discovery of gold, silver and

copper of unimaginable quantities persuaded many to reassess these perilous risks, especially among restless Civil War veterans and penniless immigrants. These hopeful migrants rushed into barren areas where strikes had occurred, creating overnight tent cities.

While stooped prospectors and their pack laden mules plodding along Arizona's Main Streets are a thing of the past, there are still plenty of places to go to get a glimpse of the mining culture that made Arizona the state that it is today. Here are some suggestions to get a sense of a very dynamic enterprise, fraught with risk and characterized by a very colorful past. Start close to home in Bisbee.

The Copper Queen Mine

Bisbee's Queen Mine offers an underground tour of one of the richest copper mines in history.

Originally opened in 1877, dwindling production forced the mine's closure when Phelps Dodge discontinued operations in Bisbee in the mid-1970's. The Queen Mine opened once again as a tour for visitors in 1976, nearly 100 years after the mine originally opened.

Tours leave from the Queen Mine Tour Building, located immediately south of Old Bisbee's business district, at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m., seven days a week. Reservations are suggested. Tours last about one hour and fifteen minutes. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$5 for youth (4-15) and children under the age of 4 are free.

For information, call toll-free 1-866-432-2071 or visit www.cityofbisbee.com/queenminetours.htm on the Web

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Courtesy photo

Visitors tour the Copper Queen Mine in Bisbee.

Ask the Dietitian

Nutritionist or dietitian; what's the difference?

BY CAPT. JENNIFER L.
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REGISTERED DIETITIAN

With all the information out there on nutrition and fitness, knowing who to ask for the most accurate information is important.

Too often the terms "nutritionist" and "dietitian" are used together to describe someone with knowledge about food and health, however, the terms are very different. A "nutritionist" can be used to describe anyone with knowledge

about nutrition even if they only have one college level nutrition course. "Dietitians" or a "Registered Dietitian" need at least a Bachelor's Degree, must complete a dietetic internship, and pass a national registration exam in order

to practice nutrition. In addition, RD's must obtain continuing education in order to maintain their credentials. So, when looking for expert advice on nutrition and health, seek out a Registered Dietitian and rest assured you will

get the most accurate, up-to-date nutrition information out there!

Rodriguez is a registered dietitian at the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center on Fort Huachuca. Send questions to jennifer.rodriguez1@us.army.mil.

Community Briefs

Volunteers needed

Sierra Vista is looking for volunteers to serve on several of the city's boards and commissions.

If you have interest in any of the following areas and would like to support our community by working with the City's boards and commissions, you can find an application and additional information on the City's website, www.ci.sierra-vista.az.us. If you have further questions, please contact Jill Adams at 458-3315.

Airport Commission: Established to provide public input, through citizen participation, to the City Council on the policies and procedures that affect the operation and promote the growth of the Sierra Vista Municipal Airport.

Arts and Humanities Commission: Established to advise the City Council on art in public places, to fos-

ter the City as a strong supporter of the arts, and to develop short- and long-term plans relating to arts and humanities.

Environmental Affairs Commission: Established to advise the City Council on a broad range of environmental issues and programs such as recycling, energy conservation, waste management, regulatory compliance, water conservation, and community education.

Municipal Property Corporation: Established to explore the acquisition and construction/reconstruction of buildings, equipment, and other real or personal properties suitable for use by and for leasing to the City of Sierra Vista.

Museum & Historical Committee: Established to plan and conduct voluntary programs to collect, pre-

serve, and exhibit items of historical interest and to accept custody of all items contributed or loaned for exhibition.

Personnel Advisory Board: Established to make recommendations on proposed personnel ordinances and amendments.

Sister Cities Commission: Established to advise the City Council on ways to enhance our Sister City relationships with Cananea, Mexico, and Radebuel, Germany, through communication, coordination, and promotion.

Youth Commission: Established to advise the City Council on matters of concern to the youth of Sierra Vista, to recommend and encourage programs beneficial to our youth, and to assist in the planning, operation, and evaluation of youth-related services.

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Hurricane relief

The Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop is collecting items for Hurricane Katrina that will be delivered to World Care.

Items needed are bandages, antibiotic creams, soap, alcohol, aspirin, non-aspirin, non-latex sterile gloves, 3" roller bandages, sterile gauze pads, medical wound glue, liquid adhesive, vitamins, diarrhea and stomach remedies, antihistamines, antifungal creams and stool softeners.

Hygiene supplies such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, combs, antibacterial soaps, waterless soaps, feminine products, baby diapers and wipes.

Commissary sale

The Commissary fall case-lot sale is on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The sale will be staged indoors in the north warehouse area. Great prices on paper products, canned goods, snacks, drinks and many other items. Shop early for best selection.

Sign up for youth dance classes

The SKIES *Unlimited* program is currently accepting students for two new dance classes.

The Combination Dance Class, which includes ballet, tap, jazz, baton and acrobatics, will begin Wednesday. The class will be broken into four separate age groups, and youth ages 2 - 18 years may attend. The program fees and class location are dependent upon age group.

The Hip Hop Dance class will be held 4:30 - 6 p.m., every Saturday, beginning Sept. 10, at the School Age Services Building. This class is open to youth ages 9 - 18, and the program

fee is \$35 per month.

For more information, call SKIES Instructional Program Specialist Robin Gabert at 533-0710.

Youth Tae Kwon Do class moving

The Child and Youth Services SKIES Unlimited Tae Kwon Do class will permanently change locations Oct. 1, from the Youth Center to Murr Community Center. The class will continue at its regular time, every Tuesday and Thursday, at the new location. For more information, call Robin Gabert at 533-0710.

MWR golf trip to Starr Pass

MWR will sponsor a golf trip to Starr Pass Golf Resort and Spa, Tucson, Oct. 1. Tee times are 11 a.m.

Registration forms are available now at Mountain View Golf Course and the ITR Office. Cost is \$45 + tax and includes golf and cart. Deadline to sign up is close of business Sept. 28.

For more information, call Josh Gwinn at 533-0265.



CC Golf coaches' meeting

The coaches' meeting for the 2005-06 Intramural Commander's Cup Golf Program will be held at 10 a.m., Oct. 3 at Barnes Field House. Letters of intent are due at that time.

The season begins Oct. 17 at Mountain View Golf Course. For more information, call Tom Lumley at 533-5031.

Hispanic Heritage Month

Fort Huachuca celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 13 at the Thunder Mountain Activity Centre. Menu will be a "Hispanic Style" buffet. The guest speaker for the event will be Col. David Lopez, NETCOM G-3. The cost will be \$10. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Dana Williams at 538-0909.

Toastmasters

Whether you are afraid to speak in public or you are an accomplished speaker and want to hone your skills, then Toastmasters is for you.

A Toastmasters club provides a mutually supportive and positive learning environment to develop communications and leadership skills.

There are three Toastmasters clubs in the Sierra Vista Area. We have a club that meets your needs.

For meeting times and locations, contact Carolyn at 459-3689 or go to our website at www.angelfire.com/az3/huachucatm/ for more information.

Lost and Found

The Fort Huachuca Military Police lost and found currently has numerous adult and children's bicycles available for return to their owners. The lost and found also has several wallets and ID cards.

If you are missing any of the above, please call Ariana Barrios or Amber M. Gonzalez of Military Police Investigations at (520) 533-8830/8825.

The lost and found office is located in Building 31122, Rm. 179.

Pets Of The Week



Ginger is a young brown female chow chow mix. Courtesy photo from petfinder.com.



Danny is a sweet 8-month-old shepherd mix pup. Courtesy photo from petfinder.com.

These animals and more are available for adoption from the Fort Huachuca Veterinary Treatment Facility. For more information, call 533-2767 or visit forhuachuca.petfinder.com. In accordance with Army regulation, stray animals are kept for three working days to find an owner. After three days, they are either placed up for adoption or humanely euthanized. Strays are available for adoption for 30 days until they are euthanized.

At The Movies

Showing at the Cochise Theater for the next week are:

Today -7 p.m.

The Great Raid
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Friday -7 p.m.

Valiant
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Saturday -7 p.m.

Four Brothers
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Sunday -2 p.m.

Valiant
G

Monday - Wednesday

Closed

Reduced prices on Thursday evening and Sunday matinees.

Watch CAC

For the latest news on the Fort Huachuca community as well as all of your military branches worldwide, the Commander's Access Channel (Channel 97) is your first and most reliable source.

The Scout will notify the community of the return of the Fort Report and until then, keep tuned to the CAC for other pertinent post information.



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monuments in the city and ends at the Pentagon. “We are hoping to place in the top five, that’s our goal,” Capt. Susan Galich, Company Commander, Company C, 304th Military Intelligence Battalion, said.

Feehan said everyone has an individual goal time that they want to run in D.C. and that is up to each runner. Some of the runners say their individual goal is to cross the finish-line in under an hour.

“If they all achieve their goal, I think the

women will be in the top five and the men will be in the top 10 versus other active duty teams,” Feehan said. “That’s out of over 50 active duty teams per gender.”

Last year there were over 13,000 participants with an individual record time of 47:32, run by Dan Browne of Portland, Ore. Fort Carson, Colo. men won the team event with a time of 3:27:42.

“A big thanks to Les Woods, Sports and Fitness Director, [Morale Welfare and Recreation],” Feehan said. “If it wasn’t for his help

and influence, we would never have gotten off the ground. MWR has been invaluable to our efforts and success.”

The team will leave Sept. 30. The trip will be sponsored by Army Garrison and MWR. “We will get to D.C. late Friday evening,” Feehan said. “Saturday morning we will pick up race packets, go for a short run on the course and then drive the course to talk about racing strategy. Saturday night we’ll have pasta and race Sunday morning.

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Morenci Mine

Morenci Mine is the largest copper mine in the United States, produces over 750 million pounds of copper a year and moves over 1 million tons of earth in a day. Phelps Dodge manages the mine and offers a two and one half hour bus tour of the open pit operations. Tours are offered Fridays and Saturdays at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors 65 and older, and \$4 for youth 9-17. Because of safety regulations, children younger than

9 are not permitted on a tour. For Morenci Mine tour information, call toll free, 1-877-646-8687 or visit www.phelpsdodge.com/Community-Environment/MorenciMineTour.htm on the Web. **Panning for Gold – Lynx Lake**

If you are feeling lucky and want to try panning for gold, a portion of Lynx Lake near Prescott has been set aside for recreational use. No permits are required but you do need to know the rules before you start. For more information, call 928-771-4700 or visit

www.fs.fed.us/r3/prescott/recreate/rec_mine.htm on the Web.

Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum

There are over 3,000 minerals on exhibit. Highlighting the collection are the colorful minerals from Arizona’s copper mines. Among the spectacular individual specimens on display are an eight-foot piece of native copper, a large quartz geode - each half weighing 240 pounds, and a fragment of Meteor Crater’s meteorite weighing 206 pounds.

The museum is located in Phoenix and is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission for adults is \$2. Parking is free. The museum is closed Sundays and State holidays. Special Event: Saturday, Oct. 15 is family day (read FREE ADMISSION!) at the Museum & Arizona Mineral & Mining Museum Foundation Sale.

For information, call toll-free in Arizona, 1-800-446-4259 or visit www.admmr.state.az.us/musgen.htm on the Web.

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